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Leghorn, September 23.

ON the 19th Inſtant M. de Merveille was conducted by M. Capponi the Governor of this Place, attended by the Chancellor of the Cuſtom-houſe, to the ſeveral Offices, to be acknowledged, and to take Poſſeſſion, with the uſual Formality, of the Poſt lately conferred on him by the Great Duke, of Superintendant of the Marine. It is adviſed from Modena, that the Duke of Modena has contracted for levying a Swiſs Regiment of 800 Men. The Earl of Shrewsbury is arrived at Florence from Rome.

Rome, Sept. 24. On Sunday the 18th Inſtant, the Duke de St. Aignan, Ambaſſadour Extraordinary from the King of France, went with a great Retinue and had an Audience of the Pope, whom he complimented in the Name of his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty upon his Advancement to the Papal Chair: At the ſame time he took his Leave of his Holineſs, deſigning to ſet out in a few Days on his Return to Paris. On the 20th Cardinal de Rohan had an Audience, and took his Leave of the Pope. On the 21ſt the Prince of Santa Croce, whom the Emperor had appointed his Ambaſſador Extraordinary during the holding of the Conclave, had an Audience of the Pope, to compliment him on the Part of his Imperial Majeſty, upon his Election to the Pontificate; and with this Ceremony finiſhed his Embaſſy. That Afternoon Cardinal Tencin had a private Audience of the Pope, and preſented to him his Credential Letters for reſiding at this Court with the Character of Miniſter of France. The Ceremony of preſenting the Spaniſh Horſe or Gennet to the Pope, which is done every Year, as a Tribute for the Kingdom of Naples, was performed this time with more than ordinary Solemnity. The King of the Two Sicilies appointed for this Purpoſe Don Fabricio Colonna, Duke of Paliano, Great Conſtable of the Kingdom of Naples, as his Ambaſſadour Extraordinary. This Ceremony had been uſually performed annually on the Day before the Feſtival of St. Peter and St. Paul, but was deferred this Year on account of the See being then vacant. On the 8th Inſtant the ſaid Conſtable Colonna invited the chief of the Nobility and others, Feudatories of the Kingdom of Naples, to come to his Palace in the Farneſe Square, in order to accompany him on Horſeback to the Church del Popolo, where the Pope had appointed to receive the Preſent. After a ſhort Entertainment which the Conſtable provided for them, the Cavalcade began, each Perſon of Quality being attended by his Servants in Liveries. The Conſtable rode between a Guard of Switzers on a very fine Horſe, and in a very ſplendid Habit; and the Gennet was led after him with a very rich Saddle and Trappings. The Cavalcade was cloſed by a Train of the Conſtable's Coaches, and others. Having paſſed through the principal Streets, they came to the Door of the Church del Popolo, where the Ambaſſador alighting, preſented the Gennet to the Pope, who ſtood there, with a great Number of Cardinals and Officers of his Court, to receive it, with the uſual Formalities; which done, his Holineſs returned to his Palace.

Warſaw, Sept. 28. Yeſterday the King and Queen arrived here from Dreſden in perfect Health. The Princeſſes Mary-Ann and Joſephina came hither on the 24th Inſtant, as did alſo Sig. Sorbeloni the Pope's Nuncio, the Biſhops of Cujavia, Poſnania, and Lithuania, and ſeveral other Perſons of Diſtinction. To-day the King gave Audience to the Miniſters of the Emperor, the Czarina, and the King of Pruſſia. The greateſt Part of the Senators and Deputies are already arrived here, in order to aſſiſt at the General Dyet, which is to be opened on Monday next.

General Poſt Office, March 14, 1739.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy, who was carrying the Worceſter Mail from London to Southall, was ſet upon this Morning about Four of the Clock, between Audley-ſtreet End and Tyburn Turnpike, by Two Footpads, one of which was a luſty Man, in a white Cape Coat, who preſented a Piſtol to the ſaid Boy, and demanding the Oxford Bag, led him into a Field againſt Audley-ſtreet End, opened the Mail, and took thereout the Worceſter and Oxford Bags; the Worceſter Bag containing the Ludlow, Tenbury, and Bromyard Letters; the Oxford Bag containing the Burford, Whitney, and Woodſtock Letters.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to adverti[ſe] Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, [or] ca[uſe]